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Title: "Peptide Fragments of Microbial Stress Proteins and Pharmaceutical Compositions Made Thereof for the Treatment and Prevention of Inflammatory Diseases"

Transmitted herewith is a Reply Brief in the above-identified application.

Small Entity Status is asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.  
 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.  
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